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Welcome, Washington Scholars candidates!

You will find the link to the 2012 application form below. The application is in PDF fillable-form format that requires Adobe Acrobat Reader software, version 10.0 or newer. If you do not have the software on your computer, you may download a free copy from www.Adobe.com.

Application instructions and other important program details are described on the summary pages that precede the form itself. Do not skip over the material, but read it carefully **before** starting the application. The electronic form resets upon document closure, clearing any typed entries. **Print a hard copy** of your work on white paper using black ink before exiting.

Typewritten applications (computer-filled) are preferred but **legible** handwritten entries **in ink** (not pencil) are acceptable. Describe your achievements in detail. Do not abbreviate organizational names. The form also contains statements for you and your parent to sign.

Return your application to your high school well before the postmark deadline to obtain the principal's certification and signature, and attachment of the required documents. Non-required attachments will be discarded by the Higher Education Coordinating Board (HECB).

Late or incomplete applications will not be considered. The complete application packet, including original signatures and required attachments, must be postmarked to HECB by **January 17, 2012**. Your school will most likely offer to mail the application for you. If you are responsible for mailing, please note that **Express Mail, Federal Express, United Parcel Service, or USPS certified mail with return receipt** is recommended to **ensure delivery tracking** to HECB.

Click the link below to access the Washington Scholars application materials for 2012:

<http://www.hecb.wa.gov/wascholarsapp>

Look for the statewide announcement of the Washington Scholars of 2012 in March, including a press release and letters to in-state college admissions and scholarship officers, members of the Legislature, and the Governor. All applicants and high school principals also will receive separate notices of final status. The Washington Scholars of 2012 will not receive monetary scholarships; however, each Scholar will be presented with an award certificate and a gubernatorial congratulatory letter at local year-end high school award ceremonies.

Please contact me if you have any questions about the program or the selection process by calling 360.753.7843 or by emailing wascholars@hecb.wa.gov or annv@hecb.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Ann M. Voyles
Program Manager